

THE GAZETTE.

WEDNESDAY MAY 9.

THE METHODIST GENERAL CONFERENCE.

New York Tribune: The general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church has been in session at the Metropolitan Opera House, New York, since Tuesday morning. It is a notable body of men. There are 281 clergymen, and 175 laymen, representing a church membership of about 2,000,000. Men who are elected by their respective associations to appear for them in such a conference are expected to have recognized abilities which place them high in the order to which they belong. The various constituencies are to be congratulated on their choice. The delegates who have thus far appeared on the floor have shown themselves men of earnest convictions, which they were fearless in maintaining, and that the practice obtained in their annual conferences has made them ready debaters and skillful parliamentarians. Of course they are good speakers. Preaching in large churches and to enormous crowds at camp-meetings had made it an easy matter for them to send their voices to every part of the large building. The eleven bishops preside in turn. Their duties differ in no essential particular from those imposed upon them many times each year, when presiding over the several annual conferences. Thus they have come to compare more favorably with the chairman or presidents of secular legislative bodies. Grave, dignified and determined, they preserve singularly good order in a large body of men who are filled with earnestness and zeal, and over whom they have no power of enforcing authority, except that which is voluntarily conceded to their office. There is no sergeant-at-arms; there are no policemen. The bishops have no vote; yet there is no measure before the conference in which they do not take a warm interest. It is surprising that they can remain impartial at all times but no charge of unfairness has ever been seriously brought against them.

The conference is unique in its composition. There are more than fifty colored delegates from conferences which have grown up in the south since the latter days of the war. There are delegates from China, Japan, Liberia, India and Mexico, and from many parts of Europe. The delegates are assigned to seats by lot; thus the different races are mingled together impartially—a contrast with the first segregated general conference, as was pointed out the other day, where the colored men could gain admission only to the upper gallery.

With the exception of the work done by the several committees, in preparing matters to be brought before the conference, the first five sessions have been fruitless except in speech-making; but it has been evident for several months that these speeches would have to be made before anything of importance could be done. Five women have presented themselves as lay delegates to the conference. There are those who believe that there is nothing in the constitution which permits the conference to admit them, without concurrent action by the annual conferences. In this view the bishops concur. Others maintain that the change in the constitution in 1868-1872, admitting lay delegates, was so broad as to include lay women. In the discussion the advocates of immediate admission have some slight advantage in being able to appeal to sentiment, indulge in eulogy on women, and to treat their opponents as inclined to deprive women of their natural rights. The speakers of the opposition have few weapons except constitutional law, cold facts of history and colder logic, none of them calculated to inspire enthusiasm.

It is noteworthy, however, that no one thus far has intimated an objection to the admission of women to the general conference, when the same action shall have been taken as was required to admit laymen. A vote will probably be taken early this week, and then the regular work of the conference will go on.

Among the curiosities of congressional representation is the fact that Mr. Latham, of Texas, represents a district which, in area, is larger than the whole of New England. With regular outlets it would measure about 800 miles in length by 500 miles in width. It is comprised of ninety-five counties, and has 29,724 voters. El Paso is the only considerable town in the district and it is 580 miles from Weatherford, Mr. Latham's home.

Another curious and suggestive thing is the fact that Mr. Crisp, of Georgia, who is the chairman of the committee on elections, represents a district which has, according to the returns, a total of 1,704 voters, all of them democrats, and that Mr. Crisp, as another qualification in managing the contested elections in the house, was born in England. In the north are many single districts which cast more votes—some of them casting two-thirds more and a few nearly double—the total congressional vote of Georgia with her ten congressmen. In one or two instances the majority of a northern member is greater than the total Georgia vote.

There is one fact in regard to the records of men prominent in public life which is a perennial source of surprise to people looking up those records, to wit: That General Joseph B. Hawley, who usually appears as a type of New Englander, is not of the "Conqueror Yankee," as a native of North Carolina.

The only representative in congress from a district east of the Alleghenies, who was born west of them, is Luther P. McKimney, of New Hampshire. The states west of the Mississippi have sixty members, and these forty-nine were born east of the Mississippi. Of the eleven

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THE CAMPAIGN.

Party Conventions Held in Many States.

Action of Michigan Republicans.

An Alger Delegation Chosen to the Chicago Convention—Wisconsin Republicans and Indiana Republicans—Congressional Nominations—Other News.

SOLID FOR ALGER. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 9.—The Republican State convention was called to order shortly after noon. Tuesday by Temporary Chairman E. S. Lacy, who made a speech extolling General Alger, and was heartily applauded. The usual committees were then appointed and the convention took a recess until 10 p. m. The convention re-assembled at 2:30, and the temporary officers were made permanent. Governor Lacy was called for and spoke briefly. His reference to the unity of feeling in presenting General Alger for President awakened wild enthusiasm. The report of the Committee on Resolutions was unanimously adopted and these delegates-at-large were chosen: Robert E. Fenton, F. C. Bois, W. Q. Atwood (colored) and B. F. Danstan.

The resolutions adopted reaffirm the principles of the Republican party as exemplified by President Grant. The resolutions declare that the protective policy furnished the means to pay off the war debt, quadrupled the prosperity and financial resources of the American people, rendered the nation absolutely independent, and employed and elevated labor and benefited labor and capital alike. They affirm the present Administration for its "solid and sectional anti-trust policy," and especially for "singling out the four great industries of Michigan for punishment and destruction." The closing resolution presents the name of Russell A. Alger for President, and calls on all the Michigan delegates at Chicago to use every honorable means to secure his nomination for President.

The new State committee is as follows: First district, Henry M. Duffield and Charles Wright; 2d, Tom S. Applegate and Joe T. Jacobs; 3d, A. Barger and W. H. Whittington; 4th, T. A. Gilmer and B. C. Spencer; 5th, W. Weber and William Alden Smith; 6th, S. F. Kimball and O. S. Fuller; 7th, William H. Ecker and A. Avery; 8th, J. J. Brown and F. C. Bois; 9th, Newcomb McGee and E. D. Martin; 10th, E. F. Carrington and D. C. Pace; 11th, T. T. Bates and E. C. Young.

LANSING, Mich., May 9.—The National Greenback State convention met here yesterday afternoon and chose James I. Mead and W. H. Lums as delegates-at-large to the Cincinnati convention. A full delegation from each Congressional district was also elected. W. D. Fuller was made chairman of the State Central Committee, vice Moses W. Field resigned. The resolutions declare reserved loyalty to the Greenback principles, and instructs the delegates to the National convention to unite with any organization adopting the essential principles of the Greenback party, but no sentiment favorable to the use of either of the old parties was apparent. The delegates were instructed to vote for the nomination of General Weaver for President.

WISCONSIN REPUBLICANS. MILWAUKEE, May 9.—The Republican State convention, which is to choose four delegates-at-large to the National convention, four alternates and two electors-at-large, will be held at Madison today. It promises to be a lively affair, and some interesting developments may be expected. It is pretty well settled now who two of the delegates-at-large will be. Senator John P. Spooner will undoubtedly be one of them and Henry C. Payne, of Milwaukee, the other. As for the others there is some uncertainty. Advice received last night from Madison indicates that G. E. Fairchild, of Janesville, has got a very large following and will in all probability be chosen. The fourth delegate will be either Brad C. Scott, of Ashland, or H. O. Fairchild, of Manitowish. Ira B. Bradford, of Augusta, will be the nominal chairman, having been so decided last night. The platform adopted will be short and decisive. It will contain five clauses, covering the tariff question, civil service reform, the closed suppression of the South, the admission of Dakota as a State, and last, but not least, in the way of making political capital, pension legislation.

Of the men mentioned as delegates-at-large all are Rusk men, and the outlook now is that the Governor will be warmly endorsed for the Presidency. According to all reports the great majority of the delegates are for Governor Rusk. There will not be a scarcity of Blaine men, however.

A late Madison dispatch says: "A telegram was received last night from Senator Spooner declining to accept the nomination of delegate-at-large. His declaration was laughed at, however, and Rusk's friends will not think of his refusing."

FRANKFORT, Ill., May 9.—The Republicans of the Thirtieth Judicial circuit convened here yesterday to nominate two candidates for circuit judges to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Bailey. James H. Cartwright, of Oregon, was chosen on the first ballot, and John D. Crabtree, of Dixon, on the eighth ballot, after a lively contest.

HECOTORS CALLED. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 9.—Governor Oglesby has accepted the resignation of Hon. J. M. Bailey, of Springfield, circuit judge of the Thirtieth Judicial district, and has called a special election for June 4, 1888, to fill the vacancy.

The Judicial circuit for the Fourth Illinois Judicial circuit has been held at Springfield, Ill., for the purpose of electing a candidate to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge O. W. Wilkins.

ALLEN G. THURMAN LAUGHS. COLORED, May 9.—The Republican State convention held here yesterday elected delegates-at-large to the Chicago convention. The delegation is divided between Dewey and Harrison for President.

COLORADO PROMOTIONISTS. DENVER, Col., May 9.—The State Probation convention held here yesterday and elected three delegates to the National convention: Henry C. Dillon, George Wallace, H. C. Walker, T. B. Bliss, Mrs. Telford, William Butler, W. C. Savage, W. C. Sterner, J. A. Maxwell and John Hipp. The delegates are unopposed.

FOR CONGRESS. DECATUR, Ill., May 9.—Captain J. H. Nowell, of Bloomington, was nominated to Congress by acclamation at the Fourteenth Republican Congressional district convention yesterday.

LANCASTER, Pa., May 9.—Congressman Cuthwaite was re-nominated by acclamation.

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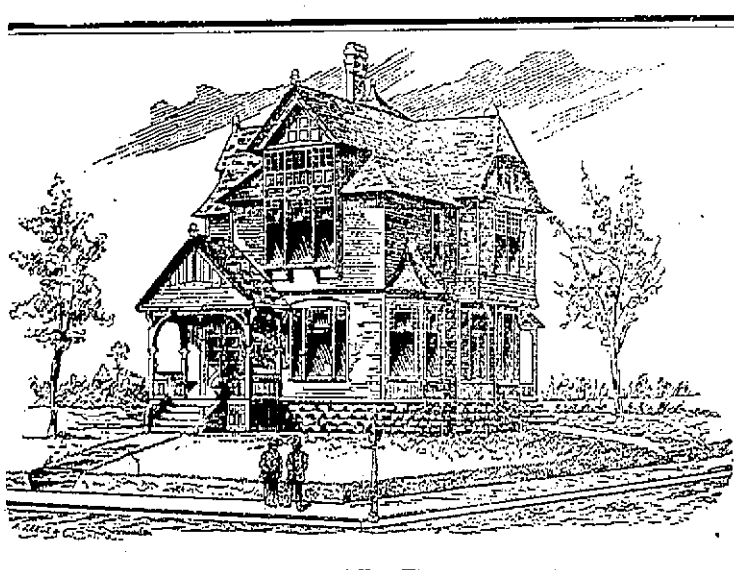
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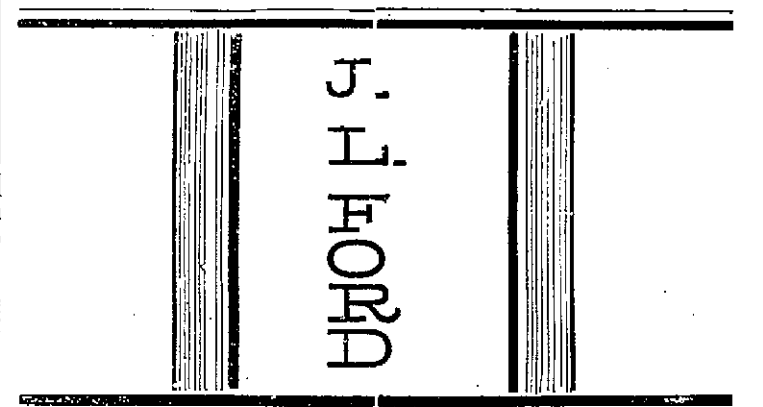
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